

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RECEIVED
AUG -2 2002
TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2800

APPLICANT: Steve W. Braun

SERIAL NO.: 09/820,973

GROUP ART UNIT: 2874

FILED: March 29, 2001

EXAMINER:

FOR: OPTICAL TRANSPORT SYSTEM

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: 50777/251099

#6/Suppl.
IDS
masha
8/16/02

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:


In accordance with Rules 56, 97 and 98 of the Rules of Practice in Patent Cases (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98), enclosed are copies of the references listed on the attached modified Form PTO-08A.

The undersigned does not concede that any of the identified materials constitute prior art within the meaning of the United States patent laws.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing of the first Office Action on the merits (37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)(3)); therefore, no fee is believed to be required.

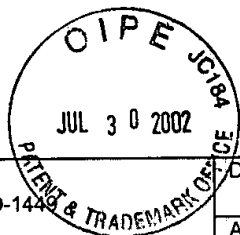
However, if a first Office Action on the merits has issued, please consider this Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(c). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the applicable fees, if any, to Deposit Account No. 11-0855.

Respectfully submitted,


Geoff L. Sutcliffe
Reg. No. 36,348
Attorney for Assignee

KILPATRICK STOCKTON LLP
1100 Peachtree Street, Suite 2800
Atlanta, Georgia 30309
404.815.6530

Attorney Docket No.: 50777/251099



Form PTO-1449		Docket No.: 50777-251099		Application No.: 09/820,973			
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION IN AN APPLICATION (Use several sheets if necessary)		Applicant: Steve W. Braun				Group Art Unit 2874	
		Filing Date: March 29, 2001					
U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
Examiner Initial		Document Number	Date	Name	Class	Subclass	Translation
		4,400,054	08/23/83	Biard, et al.			
		4,845,483	07/04/89	Negishi			
		4,948,218	08/14/90	Kobayashi, et al.			
		5,055,827	10/08/91	Philipp			
		5,185,735	02/09/93	Ernst			
		5,345,230	09/06/94	Jackson, et al.			
		5,471,342	11/28/95	Junginger, et al.			
		5,483,233	01/09/96	Pettit, et al.			
		5,506,709	04/09/96	Segal, et al.			
		5,712,937	01/27/98	Asawa, et al.			
		5,745,479	04/28/98	Burns, et al.			
		5,815,294	09/29/98	Ishikawa, et al.			
		5,825,515	10/20/98	Anderson			
		5,894,362	04/13/99	Onaka, et al.			
		5,898,801	04/27/99	Braun, et al.			
		5,901,260	05/04/99	Braun, et al.			
		5,910,851	06/08/99	Flaherty			
		5,937,032	08/10/99	Nummelin, et al.			
		5,949,560	09/07/99	Roberts, et al.			
		6,008,915	12/28/99	Zyskind			
		6,075,628	06/13/00	Fisher, et al.			
		6,128,111	10/03/00	Roberts			
		6,140,920	10/31/00	Roberts			
		6,175,533	01/16/01	Luk, et al.			
NON-U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
Examiner Initial		Document Number	Date	Country	Class	Subclass	Translation
		9-321739	12/12/97	Japan			
		11-87823	03/30/99	Japan			
		10-107773	04/24/98	Japan			
		9-51322	02/18/97	Japan			
Examiner:				Date Considered:			
EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP § 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to the applicant.							

